

## TO PROTECT HER CHILD

## TERRE HAUTE WOMAN SHOTS AT A VANDALIA EX-BRAKEMAN.

Accuses Him of Luring Her Daughter Away from Home, Though He Is a Married Man.

## FOUND DEAD IN SENTRY BOX

## AGED WATCHMAN OF THE WABASH RAILROAD AT LAFAYETTE.

## Coroner Is Investigating—Brannstrom Will Case Decided—Death of a Veteran Editor.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 5.—"You had better make that kiss a good one," said Mrs. Hannah Denny today, as Orma Marbury was kissing his wife good-bye at the front door. Marbury started for Mrs. Denny, who held a revolver in her hand, and Mrs. Denny fired. The bullet went through his right hand and he ran away. Mrs. Marbury shut the front door in her face and was turning the key when Mrs. Denny fired a second shot at Denny through the glass of the door, but the bullet entered Mrs. Marbury's shoulder and lodged near the heart, causing a serious wound, but one from which she is expected to recover.

Mrs. Denny was taken to police headquarters and there told her story. Later in Police Court she was released on her own recognizance to appear next Monday. Mrs. Denny says that a year ago Marbury began calling on her daughter May, representing that he was a single man. Recently Mrs. Denny learned that he was married, and she told Mrs. Marbury. The latter told her she knew of her husband's conduct, but that she was afraid to say anything about it. She was threatened to kill her. Mrs. Denny says that her daughter was lured away from home on Tuesday by Marbury. She says that she was bidding his wife good-bye May was in an alley waiting for him.

Marbury was a Vandalia brakeman, but was recently discharged. Mrs. Denny is the widow of the late County Recorder Denny. She says she regrets she did not kill Marbury, and that she would willingly go to the gallows if she could kill him.

## FOUND DEAD IN HIS BOX.

## Veteran Watchman for the Wabash Road at Lafayette.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 5.—Lying crumpled up against a hot stove in the little watch shanty on Main street, in which he had worked for the past forty years, the dead body of John Muncie, a Wabash crossing watchman, was found this morning. The cause of death is a mystery, there being talk of suicide and even of murder, but both theories are scouted by the coroner, who believes death was due to strangulation or heart failure. The discovery was made by John Sheehan, who boarded at the same place Muncie did. It was supposed until this morning that Muncie was in bed last night, but when the clerk went to call him he found the room had not been occupied. The landlady sent Sheehan to the crossing shanty, and the latter found Muncie's dead body lying beside the stove, badly burned and huddled by the heat. His watch and keys in his money were found on his person, tending to disprove the murder theory.

The last seen of Muncie was at 6 o'clock last night, when he left the house to take a walk.

Muncie was seventy-one years old and entered the employ of the Wabash Railroad in 1850 as a member of the surveying corps. He was transferred to the operating department and was in charge of the crossing at Logansport in 1882, when he lost an arm. He was married four times, but left no relatives. The coroner will investigate further.

## BLOCK MINERS HAVE DOUBTS

## As to How the National Executive Board Will View the Strike.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## BRAZIL, Ind., April 5.—The settling of the miners' and operators' difficulty is now in the hands of the national executive board of the Miners' Union, which is expected to pass on the ultimatum within a few days. It is claimed that the majority have voted against accepting the operators' offer. The vote will be presented to the miners' delegate convention to be held here on Monday, when the matter will go before the miners' national board for final consideration.

There is considerable speculation as to the stand that will be taken by the national board, as at the national convention it was agreed that the scale should be the same as last year. Now the blacksmiths are demanding an advance of 20 cents per diem and the stationary engineers are demanding a reduction in hours with the same monthly wage.

## Everybody Walks at Terre Haute.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 5.—The baseball season opened to-day with a game between Terre Haute, of the Three-I League, and Chattanooga, of the Southern League, and, while the interest in the game was never more lively in Terre Haute, the fans and the Terre Haute baseball association are equally interested in the street-car boycott. Practically every one who attends games at the park east of the city depends on the street-car for transportation. The boycott has been distressingly effective on many persons because they did not want to offend organized labor by riding in the cars. Merchants and their clerks are walking for that reason.

## YOUTHFUL BLACK THIEF.

## He Is Sent to Reformatory for Robbing Lafayette Residences.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 5.—After a fruitless search of two weeks the police to-day ran down the perpetrator of six mysterious burglaries that have occurred in the length of time in the midst of the fashionable residence district of the city. The thief is Lee Wilson, a colored youth, but nineteen years of age, and he has confessed all of the robberies. The boy operated early in the evening and his jobs were bold almost to foolhardiness. Wilson's thefts included several valuable diamond studs from V. J. Zinn. Some of the goods were recovered.

This afternoon Judge De Hart gave Wilson an indeterminate sentence in the Jeffersonville Reformatory and disfranchised him for two years.

## Assault and Robbery Charged.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## FLORA, Ind., April 5.—Henry Allen, a farmer living two miles west of this city, went home drunk last night and with a butcher's knife drove his wife and children from home, the latter being in a neighbor's for protection. He then robbed Mrs. Allen of \$100 receipts from sale of produce, and fled. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

## DITCHING MACHINE BLOWS UP.

## Two Men Seriously Hurt by an Explosion in Knox County.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## VINCENNES, Ind., April 5.—Harding &amp; Son's immense electrical ditching apparatus, at work completing the Cain ditch in Vigo township of Knox county, was blown up and consumed by flames to-night

as the result of an explosion of a tank of oil.

The sleeping crew of sixteen men was thrown into the ditch, and two of them are seriously hurt. The loss is \$25,000.

## Boy Killed at Greenfield.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## GREENFIELD, Ind., April 5.—This evening, just before 8 o'clock, Harry Brooks, a thirteen-year-old boy, was killed by a car detached from a local freight train. He was on the track near J. H. Moulden's novelty works, and a passenger train confused him so that he did not notice the freight car. He was knocked down on the track by the bumpers and his body was cut in two, death being instantaneous. He came here last year from Philadelphia with his older brothers, who work in the local window glass factory. His parents are dead.

## PRODUCTION INCREASING.

## Oil Runs and Shipments from Indiana Are Growing Steadily.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## MONTPELIER, Ind., April 5.—The pipeline reports of the runs and shipments of oil from the Indiana oil field for the month of March make a very creditable showing. It is the best month yet for the new year. During March the total shipments of crude oil from the State were 923,141 barrels, 50,692 barrels more than in February and 20,265 barrels more than for January, when the shipments naturally should be heavier. The average daily shipments for March were 27,791 barrels.

The total runs of crude oil from the wells of Indiana for March were 55,166 barrels, or an average per day of 23,193 barrels. This shows increase over the February runs of 106,907 barrels and over January of 15,971. This indicates that the production of the various fields is gradually increasing, and the time is not far ahead when the production will be close to that of northwestern Ohio.

According to figures the pipeline companies have paid to the operators and farmers, the aggregate sum of \$24,924.30 for March alone, while for the past three months the total paid out for the crude product at the wells amounts to \$1,474,092.20. This industry means much to the people of Indiana and puts a mint of money in circulation. The most notable increase in new production comes from Grant county. The following table shows the daily runs and shipments of oil by the Indiana pipeline in the Indiana field for March:

Shipments, Runs, Barrels.

March 1..... 31,157 32,545

March 2..... 31,157 32,545

March 3..... 31,157 32,545

March 4..... 31,157 32,545

March 5..... 31,157 32,545

March 6..... 31,157 32,545

March 7..... 31,157 32,545

March 8..... 31,157 32,545

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March 10..... 31,157 32,545

March 11..... 31,157 32,545

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March 26..... 31,157 32,545

March 27..... 31,157 32,545

March 28..... 31,157 32,545

March 29..... 31,157 32,545

March 30..... 31,157 32,545

March 31..... 31,157 32,545

Totals..... 748,921 821,946

Other lines..... 174,220 174,220

Totals..... 923,141 996,166

Daily average..... 29,779 32,169

The following table shows the daily average runs and shipments of oil from the Indiana field for the past three months:

Month..... Shipments..... Runs.....

January..... 29,125 30,556

February..... 29,125 30,556

March..... 29,779 32,169

## LINDEN QUARTETTE CONCERT.

## Fort Wayne Charmed with a Musical Programme of High Order.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## FORT WAYNE, Ind., April 5.—The ninth annual concert of the Linden quartet was given last night at the Wayne-street Methodist Church before a large and critical audience who have come to look forward with growing interest to the annual recitals by this well-known musical organization. It has been heard at several annual meetings of the Lincoln League in various cities of the State and on many other occasions in this part of Indiana. It is composed of Frank E. Stouder, bass; Hugh G. Keegan, baritone; Frank E. Riblet, second tenor, and Louis F. Curdes, first tenor. They were assisted last night by Mrs. Edith Yarnell, Keegan, Mrs. Samuel C. Morfat and the Hayden and Apollo quartet.

The honors were carried off by Mr. Stouder in Liza Lehmann's "Myself When Young," from "The German Garden," and the old Irish air, "Oh, to Philadelphia," and by Mrs. Keegan in Gounod's "Cavatina," from "Queen of Sheba," Mrs. Morfat, soprano, sang with much charm a duet with Mr. Stouder, "I Feel Thy Angel Spirit," by Graben-Hoffman, and in the sextet from "Lohengrin," by Poulton. Mrs. Keegan and the quartet carrying the other parts, but she was suffering from a severe cold and her later number, "Eileen's Dream," from Wagner's "Lohengrin," had to be cut out. The concert closed with Sullivan's "Lost Chord" for the triple quartet of male voices, which was sung with splendid power. Mrs. Stouder was a charming feature of the evening both in organ solos and accompaniments.

The annual concert by the Lindens attracted the greatest of the musical talent of the city, and its repeated successes are laying the foundation for future May festivals of high order.

## WILL CASE DECIDED.

## Court Finds for the Plaintiffs in the Brannstrom Action.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## FORT WAYNE, Ind., April 5.—The jury in the Brannstrom case returned a verdict this morning sustaining the plaintiff and setting aside the will. This gives the children equal shares in the property, after deducting the widow's third. The verdict, which had been reached after midnight and sealed, found also for the widow, who technically was a defendant and otherwise would have been held for a share of the costs. There are half a dozen other suits growing out of the division of the estate. The jury found for the defendant, saying they cannot tell whether they will accept of not. One of them said this morning that the case was a very close one, and that it will stand the test of a jury's scrutiny in any case where for any reason, however sound, any partiality is shown by the testator to certain children to the detriment of others, no matter how wayward they may have been in the lifetime of the father. The amount involved in to-day's decision is about \$75,000.

## INDIANA OBITUARY.

## Thomas Major Bitters, a Veteran Republican Editor of Rochester.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## ROCHESTER, Ind., April 5.—Thomas Major Bitters, for nearly twenty-nine years editor of the Rochester Daily and Weekly Republican, died at 3 o'clock this morning, aged sixty-six years, of a heart attack. He was one of the veteran Republican editors of Indiana. Death was due to congestion of the liver and followed after a very brief illness. The funeral will be held here at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon under the auspices of the Spiritualists.

Thomas Major Bitters was prominent as a newspaper editor and political leader, as well as a strong advocate of spiritualism. He went to Peru in 1856 as a printer and, except during the Civil war, he remained in the mechanical department of the Peru Republican until 1875, when he went to Rochester and bought the Rochester Republican and became its editor. He served in Company K of the One-hundredth and fifty-fifth Indiana Infantry. Later he sold the Republican and went to Rensselaer, where he bought the Rensselaer Republican, which he edited for several years. Then he returned to Rochester and engaged in the real-estate business, which he abandoned afterward and founded the Rochester Tribune. He then bought the Rochester Republican back and consolidated it with the Tribune under the name of the Republican. He was a man of strong character.

eristics and exercised great influence in the community through his editorials. He left a widow and two sons.

## Other State Necrology.

## COVINGTON, Ind., April 5.—George Butt, one of Covington's oldest citizens, died at his home in this city this morning of cancer of the throat at the age of seventy-eight. Mr. Butt came here at an early day, went to California during the gold excitement, the fortune he was unsuccessful in returning to Covington and embarked in the manufacture of wagons. Two daughters, two sons and a widow survive.

## RUSHVILLE, Ind., April 5.—Henry Armstrong, who lived near New Salem, in Noble township, died this morning of paralysis, aged eighty. He was born on Feb. 25, 1822, and was a native of this county. He was the father of several sons and daughters who are living in different parts of the United States. The funeral will be held at the house on Monday morning.

## WABASH, Ind., April 5.—Henry Custer, one of the old residents of Wabash county, was stricken with apoplexy at his home, five miles north of this city, last night and died this morning. He was eighty-two years old, and was born in Morgan county, Virginia. He had been a resident of Wabash county since 1852. He left four children.

## TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 5.—A telegram from Thompson's Gap today of the death to-day of Mrs. Wilson H. Soale, wife of a Terre Haute attorney. She had been in the South several months for her health.

## Boone County Insurance Company.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## LEBANON, Ind., April 5.—The annual meeting of the Boone County Co-operative Insurance Company was held to-day. S. T. Stephenson was elected director for the second district and B. F. Stoner director for the third district. F. C. Phillips was elected president to succeed Gar Vandener and R. T. Ashley was re-elected secretary-treasurer. The report of the secretary-treasurer shows that the increase in insurance for the year was \$148,000 and that the total amount of insurance in force at the present is \$1,568,127. The total assessments since the organization, six years ago, amounts to \$12,000, or 19 cents on each \$100 per annum. The amount of losses since last report was \$5,488.90. The total losses to date amount to \$11,732.70.

## Auburn's Era of Progress.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## PORT WAYNE, Ind., April 5.—T. J. Peters and R. B. Hanna, to whom was awarded the contract by the City Council of Auburn, De Kalb county, for the paving with rock asphalt of the two blocks of streets ordered to be improved, yesterday filed a bond for \$14,000 for the faithful performance of contract and guaranty. Auburn has entered upon an era of street improvements which will make the city a second Bluffton in appearance. The asphalt will be laid from the Lake Shore and Vandalia stations, on opposite sides of town, to the courthouse square, which also will be paved. Other contracts will be let this season. The cost of the pavements now contracted for will be \$72,000.

## Secretly Married in Indianapolis.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## MUNCIE, Ind., April 5.—Miss Nellie McNeerly left home on Thursday after telling her father, T. J. McNeerly, that she was going to Seymour to visit her brother, Peter McNeerly. Instead she was met at the depot by John Port, the two went to Indianapolis, where they were married, and then journeyed toward California, where a month will be spent in the wedding sent back home was a surprise. Mr. Port is owner of the Port fruit factory and his bride was for a time his stenographer.

## Pythian Carnival Closes.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## MUNCIE, Ind., April 5.—The Knights of Pythias indoor carnival and fair in the Red Men's building closed to-night, having been a great success. There have been hundreds of visitors every night. This afternoon there was a matinee and to-night the thrills could be accommodated in the throngs. The lodge will make a large sum, as most everything was given, there being little or no expense. The net proceeds of the carnival have been taken in in the different departments.

## Arrested for Embezzlement.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., April 5.—Charles S. Cook was arrested this afternoon charged with embezzling \$1,873 from the McCormick Harvesting Company, of Chicago. Cook was the collector for the county in the counties of Montgomery, White, Tippecanoe, Carroll and Clinton, and is charged with making and retaining collections and collections and appropriating the money to his own use. He is in jail in default of \$3,000 bail.

## Brakeman Cut to Pieces.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## PLYMOUTH, Ind., April 5.—Robert McKague, a brakeman on the construction train of the Pennsylvania Railroad, slipped and fell under the train while switching here this forenoon. Both arms, one leg and his head were severed. He was the only support of a widowed mother and one sister. He was thirty-two years old, was a son of the late John McKague, who was born in Plymouth and had lived here all his life.

## Badly Damaged by Fire.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## BRAZIL, Ind., April 5.—An iron to-day of the Brazilians, for the purpose of County Commissioner Joseph M. Wardlaw, Staunton caught fire from a defective fuse and was badly damaged before the fire department subdued the flames. The house, which was used for the storage of coal, sustained a total loss of about \$1,800, covered by insurance.

## Glass Shut Down May Be Lengthened.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## MUNCIE, Ind., April 5.—Official information has been received here that the flint glass factories the country over will be closed for the annual summer vacation on May 1. It is feared that the vacation, but it is said there is an over-production of glass and the shut-down may be lengthened.

## Killed a Carrier Pigeon.

## Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

## SCOTTSBURG, Ind., April 5.—William Skeels, a farmer living four miles west of Deputy, Ind., to-day while out hunting shot a pigeon. After he had killed the pigeon he found that around its neck was a silver band with "M. F. H. No. 10" engraved on the same.

## Indiana Notes.

## LAFAYETTE.—Smallpox continues to break out at intervals in the city, and on Saturday two new cases were reported to the health officer by a doctor at the corner of Freeman and Main, at No. 1215 Union street. The other is Mary Brown, at No. 110 Perry street. All the houses quarantined are kept under surveillance and everything possible is being done to prevent the spread of the malady.

## PORTLAND.—On Monday special elections are to be held in Penn and Wayne townships for the purpose of voting on the proposed subsidy for the Dayton, Union &amp; Huntington Railroad. Wayne township is asked to vote \$50,000 by taxation and Penn \$40,000.

## BROWNSTOWN.—James Elkins, aged about forty-five, committed suicide by blowing a hole in his head with a shotgun, at his home, three miles west of town, on Friday. He left a widow and several children. No cause is assigned for the act.

## TWO DIVORCE CASES.

## Followed by Sensational Damage Suits for Alienation of Affections.

## CINCINNATI, April 5.—Two divorce suits of prominent couples were followed here to-day by sensational damage suits. Recently Mrs. Austin Smith, nee Lena Marmet, obtained a divorce. To-day she was sued by Mrs. J. W. Wolfe for \$100,000 damages for alienating the affections of her husband. Meantime Mr. Wolfe had previously sued his wife for divorce, and to-day he said he would sue Wolfe for \$100,000 damages for alienating the affections of his wife. Mrs. Wolfe, for damages to her husband's affections, Mrs. Marmet, the mother of Mrs. Smith's child, has been sued for damages by Mrs. Wolfe on the charge of acting as a "go-between" for Mrs. Smith and Mr. Wolfe. The financial charges are made in all of the petitions.

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LARGER BILLS IN PROPORTION

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Two Sets of Delegates

REPUBLICANS OF ORANGE COUNTY SPLIT THEIR CONVENTION.

Rival Candidates for Joint Senator Cause the Break—Clinton Republican Ticket—Other Politics.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
PAOLI, Ind., April 5.—The Republicans of Orange county met in mass convention at Paoli this afternoon. It was the largest and most exciting convention ever held in this county. The contest was over the selection of delegates to the joint senatorial convention of Lawrence, Martin and Orange counties, to be held at Mitchell on April 15. The opposing candidates are Dr. Laughlin, of Orleans, and Harry Carnes, of Paoli. The courtroom would not hold half the people and the meeting adjourned to the courthouse grounds. The meeting was called to order by J. P. Throop, chairman of the Republican central committee. W. E. W. Alberton and Charles J. L. Fisher and John Simonson, Scottsburg; J. S. Morgan, Austin.

Anderson Republican Nominees.  
Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
ANDERSON, Ind., April 5.—The Republicans of Anderson nominated their city ticket to-day by a spirited primary election. The polls opened at 10 o'clock this morning and closed at 8 to-night. The total vote cast exceeded 2,500. The returns at midnight show the following to have been nominated: Mayor, A. Small, treasurer, Charles I. Kemmery; clerk, Frank A. Sharp; coroners, W. L. Cook and J. M. Rose; W. E. Alberton and Charles J. L. Fisher, H. C. Van Horn and F. C. McCall.

Clinton Republican Ticket.  
Special to the Indianapolis Journal.  
CLINTON, Ind., April 5.—Clinton county Republicans nominated their ticket to-day, as follows: Anna Boulden, representative; Joseph Claybaugh, judge; George A. Moss, prosecutor; C